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**State Agencies, Wisconsin Paper Council, Partner on Natural Gas Conference**

[Madison, Wis.] – The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) and Department of Administration State Energy Office are partnering with the Wisconsin Paper Council to hold a forum to discuss natural gas pricing and related issues on November 20, 2014, in Madison, Wisconsin.

Despite the large increase in gas production in recent years, many Wisconsin natural gas customers experienced significant price increases during the winter of 2013-14. This conference will explore the reasons for the price increase and what gas users can expect for 2015 and beyond.

“While gas production has increased, so have uses for gas, including gas-fired electric generation, natural gas vehicles, and exports,” said PSC Chairperson Phil Montgomery. “I look forward to a robust discussion of how these issues will affect gas availability and reliability in Wisconsin in the years to come.”

The conference is open to the public, but the topics discussed at the conference will be of particular interest to large natural gas customers, utilities, pipelines, state government officials, and other natural gas industry professionals.

Speakers and participants include representatives from Wisconsin natural gas distribution utilities, interstate gas pipelines, gas marketers, state government agencies, and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO). All sessions will be facilitated by Valerie Wood, President and Owner of Energy Solutions, Inc.

Registration and more information can be found at:  
<http://psc.wi.gov/hotTopics/ngConference.htm>.

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